

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 792

By Curtiss

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mrs. Nyleptha Roberts
on the celebration of her 110th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nyleptha Roberts will celebrate her 110th birthday on March 12, 2008, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Roberts was born in White County, Tennessee and has the great distinction of being the oldest woman in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Nyleptha Roberts was joined in marriage with her loving husband, Aaron Shell Roberts for many years until his passing, and the couple's blessed union produced two devoted children, Columbus Shell Roberts of August, Georgia, and Helen Harris of Fairview, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Nyleptha Roberts dedicated herself to being a mother and wife and kept a bountiful garden, cultivating from it to produce healthy and tasteful meals for her family; and

WHEREAS, as she approaches her twelfth decade, Mrs. Roberts is still an active and productive member of society, making and selling decorative fish soaps out of her nursing home room; and

WHEREAS, never one to while the day away in bed, Nyleptha Roberts gets up every morning, dons one of her trademark dresses, and volunteers in the nursing home library; and

WHEREAS, she expresses her unwavering Christian faith as a member of Bon Air Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Roberts credits her amazing longevity to "a clean, wholesome, godly life and eating only from the garden."; and

WHEREAS, Nyleptha Roberts will celebrate this incredible occasion with a party in her honor at the Lifecare Center of Sparta; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Nyleptha Roberts on the celebration of her 110th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.